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Whitestone Power and Communications

Project No. 13305-005

NOTICE OF APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING, SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND PROTESTS

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Surrender of License

b. Project No.: 13305-005

c. Date Filed: September 1, 2015

d. Applicant: Whitestone Power and Communications

e. Name of Project: Whitestone Poncelet River-In-Stream-Energy-Conversion

Pilot Project

f. Location: The unconstructed project would be located on the Tanana

River, at its confluence with the Delta River, near the city of

Delta Junction, Alaska

g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 6.1

h. Applicant Contact: Steven A. Selvaggio, P.E., Whitestone Power and

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i. FERC Contact: Mr. Ashish Desai, (202) 502-8370, Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, and recommendations, using the Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp.

Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-13305-005.

- k. Description of Project Facilities: The unconstructed hydrokinetic project would consist of: (1) a 12-foot-wide, 16-foot-diameter Poncelet undershot water wheel with a 100-kW turbine/generator unit mounted on; (2) a 34-footlong, 19- to 24-foot-wide, aluminum-frame floating platform mounted on; (3) two, 34-foot-long, 3.0- to 3.5-foot-diameter high-density-polyethylene pontoons connected to (4) a 33-foot-long, 3.5-foot-wide access bridge; (5) three anchoring cables including: (a) a 30-foot-long primary safety tether, (b) a 117-foot-long primary cable, and (c) a 100-foot-long secondary cable; (6) a debris deflection cone installed on the upstream side of the floating platform to direct floating debris away from the pontoons supporting the floating platform; (7) an approximately 900-foot-long, 480-volt armored and insulated transmission cable routed from the floating platform to intertie with an existing 14.4-kilovolt (kV) Golden Valley Electric Association distribution line; and (9) appurtenant facilities.
- 1. Description of Request: On September 1, 2015, Whitestone Power and Communications filed a request to surrender their pilot license for the unconstructed project stating they were unable to obtain the funding necessary to construct the project.
- m. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.
- n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

- o. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- p. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. If an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

DATED: March 4, 2016

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr., Deputy Secretary.

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